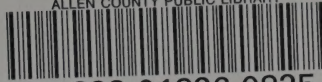


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Annual Reports
of the
Municipal Officers

of the Town of
NORRIDGEWOCK
MAINE

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Lyman Adams, army	Victor Bush, army
Royal Adams, army	Roy W. Beane, army
Maynard Atwood, army	Frederick Bickford
Cecil Atwood, army	Robert Berry, navy
Archie Arsenault, army	Cecil Beane, army
Gordon Bennett	Harold Buzzell, navy
Earl Bennett	Thomas J. Courtney Jr., army
Malcolm Bennett, army	Winston Clement, army
Lee Bennett, army	Samuel Leland Crommett, army
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Melvin Boynton, army	Malcolm Clement, army
Lawrence Bigelow, army	Charles Condon, navy
Harold Butler, army	Elmer Crowe, army
Urban C. Blaisdell, army	Robert Carr, army
James Bigelow, army	Emmons Casey, army
Lauris Bickford, army	Ray Danforth, army
Carroll Brown, army	Freeman Danforth, navy
Walter Burgess, army	Harris Danforth, navy
Harley Baird, army	James A. Doyle, army
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Edward Berry, army	Henry S. Dunlap, army
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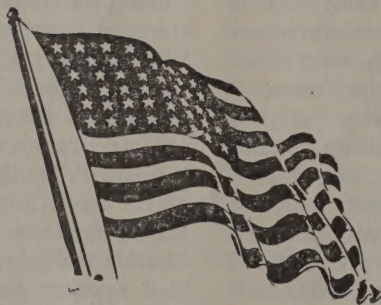
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Steven Greene, army	Howard McFadzen, army
Roscoe Hatto, army	Thornton Moore, army
Roger Hatto, navy	Lawrence Mulheron, army
Millard Hatto, navy	Floyd Nickerson, army
Clifford Hatto, army	Wallace Newell, army
Verne Hatto, army	Howard Nason, army
Chester Hatto, army	Alfred Nedeau, Jr., army
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Bernard Hilton, army	Kenneth Otis, army
John P. Hall, army	Ednor Owens, army
C. Donald Hall, army	Wesley Ovitt
Clifton M. Hamm, army	Robert F. Parker, navy
James G. Henderson, army	James Parker, army
Clyde J. Henderson, Marines	Harold Peterson, army
*Clifton A. Ingalls, army	Reginald Pooler, army
Harrison E. Ingalls, army	Norman Quimby, army
Lawrence Jewett, army	Charles Quimby, army
Charles Knights, army	Ralph Quimby, army
David Knights, army	Everett Ryer, army
Lyndon Keene, army	Ray Raymond, army
Winton Keene, army	Burleigh Roderick, army
Wendell Ketchum, navy	Bernard Ryer, army
Robert Ketchum, navy	William Sawyer, army
Rubey Lloyd, army nurse	Leo St. Peter, army
Clyde Libby, army	Clifford St. Peter, army
Russell Libby, army	Milford Seavey, army
Gerald Lambert, army	William F. Scully, army
Earl Leeman, army	Merle Sirois, army
John Lloyd, army	Emery Soule, army
Merle Lloyd, army	Charles Spencer, navy
George W. Lyons, army	Neil Spencer, navy
Kenneth Lane, army	Raymond Stinchfield, army
Wayne Moore, navy	Philip Stinchfield, Marines
Roy Macklin, navy	Herbert A. Stevens, army
George Morrisette, army	David Stickney, army
Ernest McKinney, army	E. Payson Savage, army
John Merry, army	Harold A. Stevens, navy
Tracey McKinney, army	Ralph True, army

Albert Tempesta, navy
Ray Tracy, navy
Blake Tracy, army
Edward Tessier, army
Philip M. Taylor, army
Thomas Theobald, Jr., army
Harry Theobald, navy
Everett True, army
Kenneth True, army
Gordon True, army
Roger Turcotte, army
Seymour Vincour, army
Richard Vaughan, army
C. Ellsworth Varney, army
Bertha Varney, WAVE
Cynthia Wedge, army nurse

Cyrus Young, army

Cecil Wedge, army
John Wedge, army
Ernest Wade, army
Warren Williams, army
Preston Worthley, army
Richard Weston, navy
Manley Wentworth, Marines
Ostie Wilder, army
Earle Webb, army
Ernold Williamson, army
Paul Winegardner, army
Stanley Worth, army
Alton Worth, army
Richard Winegardner, army
Roy Worthley, navy
Lloyd Wills, army

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TOWN OFFICERS

Moderator

FRED E. JEWETT

Town Clerk

HELENA B. AMES

Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of Poor

HELENA B. AMES

IRA N. KNOWLEN

CHARLES W. HILTON

Town Manager, Treasurer, Tax Collector and Road Commissioner

BERNAL B. ALLEN

School Committee

MARJORIE WILDER

ELSIE D. STANLEY

MAURICE KNOWLEN

Superintendent of Schools

KERMIT S. NICKERSON

Health Officer

C. B. LARLEE

Fire Chief

WALLACE SHEAFF

Auditor

STATE DEPT. OF AUDIT

Letter of Transmittal

To the Board of Selectmen and Citizens of Norridgewock:

A careful study of the comparative financial statement as contained herein will most certainly give a clear picture of the town's financial progress during the past year. The actual reduction in liabilities during that time has been \$34,549.05. This has been accomplished by payment from taxation \$15,000.00 and by payment from collection of old accounts and unexpended balances \$19,549.05. The remaining debt obligation of the town consists of \$7,075.37, cemetery funds which have been used by the town in years gone by. It is recommended that all automobile excise tax monies collected be used in the future for refunding the remainder of these trust funds until complete payment is made. At the present time there is on deposit or invested in government bonds \$6,828.53, cemetery and library trust funds. The net unexpended balances of all accounts during the past year is \$1,153.16. This has been accomplished in spite of the over-drafts in the highway accounts which were unavoidable due to unusual weather conditions during both the winter and summer of 1943.

In improving the town's financial condition it is felt nothing has been sacrificed in the way of services and improvements. Under the various headings in the report you can readily see what has been accomplished, and although all plans for road improvement were not carried out during 1943 due to curtailment of state highway funds, it is hoped our maintenance program will be satisfactory until such time as state highway funds will be available, which is not anticipated until after the present national emergency is over. It should be remembered that in 1943 there was available for highway work \$2,500.00 in comparison to approximately \$10,000.00 during normal times. Not only was the cost of labor and materials almost double that of previous years, but the season was unusually rainy, which caused a considerable number of serious washouts and other damage to the highways.

Our snow removal program, while far from satisfactory, was perhaps as well as could be furnished with the equipment avail-

able. Delivery is expected in the near future of a six ton, four-wheel drive Walters truck, complete with snowplow, subject to the approval of the town. This truck working with the present equipment should give a satisfactory snow removal program, but plans should be made to replace the present tractor with a new tractor by 1946 or 1947 if available to civilian use at that time by the War Production Board.

A considerable amount of thought should be given by the citizens of Norridgewock towards plans for the post-war era, appropriations should be made to set up emergency cash reserves to offset tax delinquency, relief expenditures and highway work. Cash reserves should be set up from surplusses and appropriations for the purchase of needed equipment and specific capital improvements such as highways, sidewalks, or public buildings.

Splendid cooperation has been received from the Selectmen, the School Board and Superintendent, the Citizens and all Town employees. This has been greatly appreciated and it is my earnest hope that the manner in which I have performed my duties have in whole or in part met with your approval.

Respectfully submitted,

BERNAL B. ALLEN, Town Manager

SUMMARY OF OVERDRAFT AND UNEXPENDED BALANCES

	Overdraft	Unexpended
Excise tax	\$	\$ 1,587.17
General expense		158.26
Fire Department		245.16
Street lights		15.96
Summer roads	665.18	
Winter roads	2,078.51	
Streets and Sidewalks	52.90	
Town poor		1,221.44
Aid to dependent children		12.00
Committed children		22.11
Monument Square		1.00
Memorial Day		12.65
Cemeteries		25.00
Abatements		118.11
Interest		530.89
Net unexpended to surplus	1,153.16	
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	\$3,949.75	\$3,949.75

CHANGE IN NET DEBT

Appropriation on bonds	\$15,000.00	
1943 unexpended	1,153.16	
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Net debt Feb. 1, 1943		\$10,903.44
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Net surplus		\$ 5,250.72
Subtractions:		
Trust fund interest	\$ 582.25	
Premium on bonds	1,450.00	
1941 lien, error	14.08	
Snow plow	702.00	
Civilian Defense	79.72	
Old taxes	246.60	
Accounts payable	14.50	
	<hr/>	\$ 3,089.15
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Surplus Feb. 1, 1944		\$ 2,160.57

TOWN OF NORRIDGEWOCK
COMPARATIVE FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Assets		
	Feb. 1, 1943	Feb. 1, 1944
Cash	\$13,329.02	\$ 1,280.73
Taxes, 1943		150.68
Prior years	286.06	
Tax liens 1943		1,182.94
1942	1,636.05	330.91
1941	643.79	
Town property	11,425.36	5,232.70
Accounts receivable:		
Poor	20.18	
Snow	1,157.62	1,765.60
State Aid construction	455.81	455.81
Cemetery Trust Funds on deposit	1,573.34	4,091.24
Mary Sawtelle Williams Fund	1,000.00	1,000.00
Henrietta Wood Fund		500.00
Sarah Clark Fund		737.29
Capt. Hall Fund	500.00	500.00
Net debt	10,903.44	
 Total assets	 \$42,930.67	 \$17,227.90

Liabilities		
	Feb. 1, 1943	Feb. 1, 1944
Cemetery Trust funds on deposit	\$ 1,573.34	\$ 4,091.24
Mary Sawtelle Williams Funds on deposit	1,000.00	1,000.00
Refunding bonds	31,000.00	
Cemetery Trust Funds	7,942.17	7,075.37
Henrietta Wood Fund		500.00
Sarah Clark Fund		737.29
Capt. Hall Library Fund on deposit	500.00	500.00
Unexpended library account	67.20	100.44
Unexpended school account	753.72	761.96
Unexpended special account	20.62	70.55
Unexpended third class maintenance		129.22
Victory tax	73.62	101.26
Surplus		2,160.57
	 \$42,930.67	 \$17,227.90

Important Notice

All taxpayers should read the following requirement and comply with it:

Section 7, Chapter 13, Revised Statutes of Maine, 1930:

"Before making an assessment, the assessors shall give reasonable notice in writing to the Inhabitants, by posting notifications in some public place in the Town, or shall notify them, in such other ways as the Town, at its Annual Meeting directs, to make and bring in to them true and perfect lists of their Polls; and all their estates, real and personal, not by law exempt from taxation, of which they were possessed on the first day of April of the same year. If any resident owner, after such notice, does not bring in such lists, he is thereby barred of his right to make application to the Assessors or the County Commissioners for any abatement of his taxes, unless he offers such list with his application and satisfies them that he was unable to offer it at the time appointed."

The Selectmen will be in session at the Town Office, Norridge-
wock, on the first day of April, 1944, at 9 o'clock A. M. to 5
o'clock P. M.

Selectmen's Report

TOWN APPROPRIATIONS FOR 1943

Town officers	\$ 532.00
Town manager	3,000.00
Town expense	1,000.00
Abatements	300.00
Fire Department	1,300.00
Street lights	600.00
Summer roads	2,500.00
Winter roads	1,500.00
Third class maintenance	657.00
State Aid maintenance	1,867.70
Streets and sidewalks	850.00
Cutting bushes	500.00
Town poor	1,500.00
Committed children	165.00
Aid to dependent children	500.00
Schools	13,100.00
Library	400.00
Cemeteries	150.00
Monument Square	15.00
Memorial Day	25.00
Interest	1,000.00
Public Health Nurse	100.00
Debt reduction	15,000.00
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Total town tax	46,561.70
State tax	5,014.08
County tax	1,002.03
Overlay	674.54
School district tax	1,167.50
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Total taxes assessed	\$54,419.85

VALUATION AND ASSESSMENT 1943

	Resident	Non-Resident	Total
Real estate	\$450,510.00	\$145,970.00	\$596,480.00
Personal estate	87,262.00	8,507.00	95,769.00
Totals	\$537,772.00	\$154,477.00	\$692,249.00
Value of land		252,170.00	
Value of buildings		344,310.00	
Total			\$596,480.00

TAXABLE LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY

	No.	Total Value
Horses	176	\$16,865.00
Colts, 3 to 4 years	1	150.00
Cows	566	224.00
Oxen	10	470.00
Three year olds	122	4,280.00
Two year olds	181	5,505.00
Swine (over 10 in number)	4	80.00
Poultry (over 50 in number) ..	4190	3,014.00
		<u>\$52,764.00</u>

OTHER PERSONAL PROPERTY

	No.	Total Value
Stock in trade		\$28,850.00
Lumber		2,150.00
Gasoline pumps and attachments	18	2,075.00
Radios	326	2,805.00
Tractors	23	1,310.00
Machinery and equipment		3,800.00
Boats		150.00
Trailers		1,865.00
		<u>\$43,005.00</u>
Taxable livestock		52,764.00
		<u>\$95,769.00</u>

EXEMPT LIVESTOCK

	No.	Total Value
Yearlings	268	\$ 5,810.00
Sheep (to 35 in number)	58	1,050.00
Swine (to 10 in number)	163	2,880.00
Poultry (to 50 in number)	3363	2,821.00
Colts (under three years old) ..	7	400.00
		<hr/> \$12,961.00

COMMITMENT

Valuation x rate—\$692,249.00 x .77	\$53,303.85
372 polls at \$3.00	1,116.00
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Total commitment	\$54,419.85
Supplemental taxes	402.83
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Total charge to collector	\$54,852.68

COLLECTOR'S REPORT

Cash paid to treasurer	\$52,934.34
Tax liens	1,182.94
Abatements	584.72
Uncollected	150.68
	<hr/> \$54,852.68

EXCISE

Paid to treasurer (1943)	\$ 1,049.18
Paid to treasurer (1944)	537.99
	<hr/> \$ 1,587.17

COLLECTION OF TAX LIENS

	Balance Feb. 1, 1943	Collected	Balance
1941	\$ 643.79	\$ 643.79	
1942	1,636.05	1,310.84	330.91
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	\$2,279.84	\$1,954.63	\$ 330.91

ABATEMENTS

Receipts

Appropriations	\$ 300.00	
Supplemental taxes	402.83	
	<hr/>	\$ 702.83

Expenditures

Albert O. King, error in assessment	\$ 6.93	
Charles Garland, error in assessment	77.00	
Linwood Frederick, error in assessment	209.44	
Fidele & Mary Comeau, error in assessment	89.32	
George Thomas, error in assessment	115.50	
Alvin Otis, error in assessment	6.93	
Walter Horne, error in assessment	38.50	
Joseph Bishop, error in assessment	7.70	
Fred Shibley, error in assessment	15.40	
John Lloyd, over 70	3.00	
Milford Tibbetts, over 70	3.00	
Claude Stanhope, paid in Bath	3.00	
A. M. Percival, over 70	3.00	
Ed P. Rogers, over 70	3.00	
Eugene Watson, over 70	3.00	
Unexpended to summary	118.11	
	<hr/>	\$ 702.83

UNPAID TAXES

Peter Buotte	27.68	
Dominic Susi	\$ 123.00	
	<hr/>	\$ 150.68

TAX LIENS

1942

Clarence Buzzell	\$	41.79
Linwood Frederick		37.12
Herbert Gilman		95.70
Howard Goodrich		14.00
James Goodrich		17.89
Louis Philbrick		62.06
Russell Walker		16.53
Ray Beckwith		2.90
George Ladd		2.32
Donald Sawyer		34.80
Ervin Townsend		3.48
Paul, Marco & Minnie Zwicker		2.32
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		\$ 330.91

1943 TAX LIENS

Martha Adams	\$	32.87
Freeman Bixby		82.40
Ray & Louise Buxton		67.25
Newton Crowe		3.08
Linwood Frederick		45.97
Howard Goodrich		20.60
Merritt Holt		13.86
Louis Philbrick		82.39
Earl Rowe		230.98
George Ryder		16.94
George & Carolyn Smith		10.13
Augusta Trust Co.		173.30
Federal Land Bank		57.80
Wendell & Rita Goodwin		114.73
George Ladd		3.08
Arthur Lessard		3.85
Frank Lewis		3.08
Marshall Micue		23.10
Donald Sawyer		46.20
Fred Shibley		100.10
Rollin Strong		4.24
Irvin Townsend		4.62

L. G. Trafton	16.94
Paul, Marco & Minnie Zwicker	3.08
George Murray	22.35
	<hr/> \$ 1,182.94

TOWN OWNED PROPERTY

Airport (504.53 acres)
 M. E. Beals Heirs property
 George Booth property
 J. B. Davis property
 Orland Dudley property
 Ed Keyes property
 Laforme & Merrow property
 Glen Nickerson property
 Christine Vallier property
 Joseph Vantrisco property
 John Wescott property
 Georgia Hilton property
 E. P. Emmons property
 Martha Jane Adams property
 Evelyn Wheeler property
 Effie Luce property
 Percival Dam

GENERAL EXPENSE

Receipts

Appropriation	\$ 1,000.00
Overlay in assessing	674.54
Bank Stock tax	63.93
Railroad and Telegraph tax	57.67
Dog tax	64.16
Lien cost and miscellaneous	241.40
Town of Norridgewock (petty cash)	20.00
	<hr/> \$ 2,121.70

Expenditures

Clerk hire	\$ 762.40
Central Maine Power Co.	12.00
New Sharon & Norr. Telephone Co.	148.85
Independent-Reporter Co., supplies	201.27
Marks Printing House, supplies	81.71
George Harlow, supplies	22.00
L. D. Chase, supplies	60.00
Town of Norridgewock	85.50
Emmons Young	1.00
Haines Drug Store, supplies	2.55
Depositors Trust Company, supplies	6.97
Carl H. Gilman, supplies	1.15
Frank Hinkley, supplies60
Helena B. Ames, supplies	19.35
C. S. Humphrey, surveying	29.00
Election expense	27.25
Town of Norridgewock (petty cash)	20.00
Fox & Ginn, miscellaneous	4.67
State Treasurer, audit	80.29
Collector of Internal Revenue	11.29
Frank Hinkley, supplies60
Smith Music Store	4.00
Maine Municipal Association, supplies ...	40.00
Ames & Ames, legal fees and insurance ..	182.94
Bangor Typewriter Company, repairs	2.00
Clifford Grant, maintaining watering tub ..	5.00
Calvin Rogers, refund	2.00
Clarence Boone, Jr., supplies	2.00
Federal Trust Company, bonds	10.00
Percy Gilbert, M. D., supplies	1.00
L. F. Norris, M. D., supplies75
Flora Caouette, recording liens	64.08
Fred L. Tower Co., Maine Register	7.00
International City Managers' Association, supplies	5.60
Harry Lewis, night watching	13.20
Velma Gilman, refund	2.34
Robert Warren, removing trees	20.00
Western Union	1.58
Central Maine Power Co., supplies	21.50
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	\$ 1,963.44
Unexpended to summary	158.26
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	\$ 2,121.70

TOWN OFFICERS

Receipts

Appropriation	\$ 532.00
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Expenditures

Helena B. Ames, town clerk	\$ 10.00
Helena B. Ames, selectman	150.00
Ira N. Knowlen, selectman	150.00
Charles W. Hilton, selectman	150.00
Maurice Knowlen, school board	24.00
Elsie Stanley, school board	24.00
Marjorie Wilder, school board	24.00
	<hr/> \$ 532.00

TOWN MANAGER

Receipts

Appropriation	\$ 3,000.00
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Expenditures

B. B. Allen	\$ 3,000.00
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STREET LIGHTS

Receipts

Appropriation	\$ 600.00
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Expenditures

Central Maine Power Co.	\$ 584.04
Unexpended to summary	15.96
	<hr/> \$ 600.00

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Receipts

Appropriation	\$ 1,300.00	
C. M. Holt	1.00	
		<u>\$ 1,301.00</u>

Expenditures

Fire Chief	\$ 100.00	
Janitor	48.00	
Lights	63.88	
Telephone	9.00	
Labor	151.75	
Supplies	634.09	
Miscellaneous	1.90	
Repairs	47.22	
		<u>\$ 1,055.84</u>
Unexpended to summary	245.16	
		<u>\$ 1,301.00</u>

SUMMER ROADS

Receipts

Appropriation	\$ 2,500.00	
Town of Mercer	80.00	
Bush cutting appropriation	500.00	
State Treasurer	72.40	
		<u>\$ 3,152.40</u>
Overdraft to summary	665.18	
		<u>\$ 3,817.58</u>

Expenditures

Trucks	\$ 1,266.62	
Labor	1,653.30	
Supplies	555.46	
Teams	52.20	
Shovel	290.00	
		<u>\$ 3,817.58</u>

STREETS AND SIDEWALKS

Receipts

Appropriation	\$	850.00	
Overdraft to summary		52.90	
		<u> </u>	\$ 902.90

Expenditures

Labor	\$	721.40	
Supplies		181.50	
		<u> </u>	\$ 902.90

THIRD CLASS MAINTENANCE

Receipts

Appropriation	\$	657.00	
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Expenditures

Trucks	\$	298.72	
Labor		160.06	
Supplies		69.00	
		<u> </u>	
	\$	527.78	
Unexpended to statement		129.22	
		<u> </u>	\$ 657.00

STATE AID MAINTENANCE

Receipts

Appropriation	\$	1,867.70	
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Expenditures

State Treasurer	\$	1,867.70	
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SPECIAL RESOLVE

Receipts

State Treasurer	\$ 443.50
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Expenditures

Labor	\$ 180.04
Trucks	191.06
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	\$ 371.10
Transferred to summer roads	72.40
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	\$ 443.50

WINTER ROADS

Receipts

Appropriations	\$ 1,500.00
State Treasurer	455.56
Due from State	1,765.60
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	\$ 3,721.16
Overdraft to summary	2,078.51
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	\$ 5,799.67

Expenditures

Repairs	\$ 590.07
Plowing	2,886.79
Sanding	36.95
Snow fence	325.54
Supplies and parts	1,527.87
Shoveling	432.45
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	\$ 5,799.67

TOWN POOR

Receipts

Appropriation	\$ 1,500.00
State Treasurer	9.82
	<hr/> \$ 1,509.82

Expenditures

	Medical Care	Food and Board	Total
Uldrich Leavitt	\$100.15	\$ 44.00	\$144.15
Irene James	7.00		7.00
Susie Knights		44.34	44.34
Emma Murray	30.89	37.00	67.89
Ruth Gilman		25.00	25.00
	<hr/> \$138.04	<hr/> \$150.34	<hr/> \$ 288.38
Unexpended to summary			1,221.44
			<hr/> \$ 1,509.82

STATE POOR

	Total Expended	Received from State
Charles Morrison	\$ 65.00	\$ 65.00
Elizabeth Nickerson	122.85	122.85
Helen Rivers	111.00	111.00

AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN

Receipts

Appropriation	\$ 500.00
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Expenditures

Paid to State Treasurer	\$ 488.00
Unexpended balance to summary	12.00
	<hr/> \$ 500.00

COMMITTED CHILDREN

Receipts

Appropriation	\$ 165.00
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Expenditures

Paid to State Treasurer	\$ 142.89
Unexpended to summary	22.11
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	\$ 165.00

LIBRARY

Receipts

Appropriation	\$ 400.00
1942 balance	67.20
Depositors Trust Co.—interest	8.37
State Treasurer	40.00
Campbell's Book Store—refund	18.19
Skowhegan Savings Bank—interest	
Mary S. Williams	12.50
Henrietta Wood	6.25
Captain Hall	6.25
Fines	12.95
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	\$ 571.00

Expenditures

Lights	\$ 13.00
Librarian	124.00
Janitor	51.50
Books	206.46
Supplies	76.31
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	\$ 471.27
Unexpended to summary	100.44
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	\$ 571.00

INTEREST

Receipts

Appropriation	\$ 1,000.00	
Interest collected	343.41	
	<hr/>	\$ 1,343.41

Expenditures

Federal Trust Co.	\$ 329.50	
Depositors Trust Co.	10.42	
Cemeteries	262.60	
Smith, White & Stanley	210.00	
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	\$ 812.52	
Unexpended	530.89	
	<hr/>	\$ 1,343.41

CEMETERIES

Receipts

Appropriation	\$ 150.00
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Expenditures

Eugene Haskell	\$ 125.00	
Unexpended to summary	25.00	
	<hr/>	\$ 150.00

MEMORIAL DAY

Receipts

Appropriation	\$ 25.00
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Expenditures

F. A. Trench	\$ 10.35	
Amy Shepard	2.00	
Unexpended to summary	12.65	
	<hr/>	\$ 25.00

MONUMENT SQUARE

Receipts

Appropriation	\$	15.00
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Expenditures

Henry Hussey	\$	14.00
Unexpended to summary		1.00
	<u> </u>	\$ 15.00

STATE TAX

Receipts

Appropriation	\$	5,014.08
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Expenditures

State Treasurer	\$	5,014.08
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COUNTY TAX

Receipts

Appropriation	\$	1,002.03
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Expenditures

County Treasurer	\$	1,002.03
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DOG TAX

Receipts

Helena B. Ames	\$	245.00
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Expenditures

State Treasurer	\$ 245.00
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CIVILIAN DEFENSE

Surplus cash	\$ 157.42
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Expenditures

New Sharon & Norridgewock Tel. Co., supplies	\$ 43.31
Harry Fall, lumber and supplies	93.61
Ralph Moody, labor	20.50
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	\$ 157.42

Report of Treasurer

Cash on hand Feb. 1, 1943 \$13,329.02

Receipts

Taxes:

Property and poll — current	
year	\$53,284.67
Tax liens	1,851.71
Property and poll — prior	
years	39.46
Town owned property	7,000.32
Excise tax—1943	1,049.18
Excise tax—1944	537.99
Dog tax	245.00

Total from taxes \$64,008.33

Departmental receipts:

Administration	\$ 448.16
Accounts receivable	1,177.80
Highways	979.06
Fire Department	1.00
Library	104.51
Education	8,521.48
Airport	100.00
Withholding tax	618.71
Charities	469.67
Civilian Defense	77.70

Total departmental receipts \$12,498.09

Cemetery Trust funds 704.48

Interest:

On taxes	\$ 343.41
On trust funds	16.71

Total from interest 360.12

Municipal indebtedness 20,000.00

Total receipts \$97,571.02

Total available \$110,900.04

Total warrants paid 109,619.31

Cash balance Feb. 1, 1944 \$ 1,280.73

Cemetery Report

Cemetery Funds Borrowed by the Town of Norridgewock
at 4% Interest

Name	Amount	Balance Feb. 1, 1943	Interest	Expended	Balance Feb. 1, 1944
E. J. Holway	\$100.00	\$100.97	\$4.00	\$4.00	\$100.97
Horatio Page	100.00	103.96	4.00	4.00	103.96
Fred Lawton	100.00	100.00	4.00	4.00	100.00
George Lunt	100.00	100.00	4.00	4.00	100.00
Heirs of Geo. Boston ..	100.00	100.00	4.00	4.00	100.00
Herod R. Burrill	100.00	100.00	4.00	4.00	100.00
H. K. Sawyer	100.00	109.41	4.00	4.00	109.41
Coney Russell	100.00	100.97	4.00	4.00	100.97
Brown & Leavitt	100.00	139.00	4.00	4.00	139.00
Burgess & Brennen ...	100.00	113.91	4.00	4.00	113.91
Henry T. Whiting	155.00	160.74	7.50	7.50	160.74
Sophia Hall	100.00	101.73	4.00	4.00	101.73
J. F. Woodsum	100.00	100.00	4.00	4.00	100.00
Mary Spaulding	100.00	132.24	4.00	4.00	132.24
Hawley Emerson	100.00	104.39	4.00	4.00	104.39
Lindsey & Townsend ..	100.00	115.14	4.00	4.00	115.14
Gillis, L. & Townsend ..	100.00	101.39	4.00	4.00	101.39
Dr. Lewellyn Brown ...	200.00	257.71	8.00	8.00	257.71
George Withee	100.00	109.63	4.00	4.00	109.63
Chas. B. & John Barker	100.00	100.00	4.00	4.00	100.00
William Spaulding	100.00	107.23	4.00	4.00	107.23
Heber Wheeler	100.00	108.31	4.00	4.00	108.31
Lovina Merrifield	100.00	126.26	4.00	4.00	126.26
John Whiting	100.00	132.13	4.00	4.00	132.13
Wyatt Huff	200.00	296.65	12.00	12.00	296.65
Turner Buswell	100.00	116.34	4.00	4.00	116.34
Martha J. Hathaway ...	200.00	252.36	8.00	8.00	252.36
Levi & Mary Moore ...	75.00	84.50	3.00	3.00	84.50
Clark & Bates	75.00	107.66	3.00	3.00	107.66
Levi Powers	50.00	51.06	2.00	2.00	51.06

Name	Amount	Balance Feb. 1, 1943	Interest	Expended	Balance Feb. 1, 1944
William Hobbs	50.00	52.00	2.00	2.00	52.00
Millard Taylor	50.00	50.00	2.00	2.00	50.00
Wallace Taylor	50.00	50.00	2.00	2.00	50.00
Albert Hussey	50.00	50.00	2.00	2.00	50.00
W. H. Sawtelle	50.00	52.67	2.00	2.00	52.67
John & Dorcas Clark ..	50.00	51.66	2.00	2.00	51.66
Solomon Bates	50.00	51.91	2.00	2.00	51.91
John C. Page	50.00	52.66	2.00	2.00	52.66
Clark & Bates	50.00	51.00	2.00	2.00	51.00
Martha Albee	50.00	51.06	2.00	2.00	51.06
Henry T. Choate	50.00	56.32	2.00	2.00	56.32
J. & Levi O. Savage	100.00	105.40	4.00	4.00	105.40
Clarence Stevens	50.00	51.40	2.00	2.00	51.40
Frank S. Wade	50.00	55.41	2.00	2.00	55.41
Geo. E. Bailey	50.00	51.40	2.00	2.00	51.40
H. W. Jenkins	50.00	53.40	2.00	2.00	53.40
Wm. B. Longley & Har- rison Whiting	50.00	60.51	2.00	2.00	60.51
Burgess & Brennen	50.00	52.00	2.00	2.00	52.00
Wm. B. Longley	50.00	51.50	2.00	2.00	51.50
Brown & Leavitt	50.00	53.00	2.00	2.00	53.00
Piper & John Gould	50.00	51.06	2.00	2.00	51.06
Benjamin Clure	50.00	54.47	2.00	2.00	54.47
Vesta A. Fuller	50.00	52.50	2.00	2.00	52.50
Lauriston S. Lowe	50.00	53.30	2.00	2.00	53.30
Hiram Butler	50.00	51.30	2.00	2.00	51.30

Cemetery Trust Funds Borrowed by the Town of Norridgewock
at 2½% Interest

B. W. Smith	\$100.00	\$106.25	\$2.50	\$2.50	\$106.25
Ella F. Penney	100.00	103.00	2.50	2.50	103.00
Henry Walker	200.00	203.50	5.00	5.00	203.50
Norman I. Austin	100.00	103.50	2.50	2.50	103.50
Henry Murphy	100.00	103.50	2.50	2.50	103.50
Benjamin F. Jones	200.00	201.00	5.00	5.00	201.00
Lizzie B. Jones	100.00	101.00	2.50	2.50	101.00

Name	Amount	Balance Feb. 1, 1943	Interest	Expended	Balance Feb. 1, 1944
Sara A. Frederick	100.00	101.00	2.50	2.50	101.00
Albion A. Cheviot	50.00	50.00	1.25	1.25	50.00
H. D. & A. L. Burgess	50.00	50.00	1.25	1.25	50.00
T. J. Hogan	50.00	50.00	1.25	1.25	50.00
Joseph Cripps	150.00	153.00	3.75	3.75	153.00
McIntire Lot	100.00				100.00
Ostie Allen	150.00				150.00
Nellie Hobart	100.00				100.00
Millard & Addie Spauld- ing	100.00				100.00
Seth Parlin	100.00				100.00
A. C. Bigelow	100.00				100.00

Cemetery Trust Funds Deposited
Depositors Trust Company
Madison, Maine

Book No.	Name	Amount	Interest	Expended	Balance Feb. 1, 1944
1846—	Calvin Hall	\$ 75.00	\$1.12	\$1.12	\$ 75.00
1847—	Isaac Powers	50.00	.74	.74	50.00
1848—	Campbell Lot	50.00	.74		50.74
1849—	Frank Fuller	50.00	.74	.74	50.00
1850—	Charles M. Love- joy	75.00	1.12	1.12	75.00
1851—	W. A. Taylor	36.93	.55	.55	36.93
1853—	E. A. Hilton	55.55	.82	.82	55.55
1854—	Alvin Huff	75.57	1.13	1.13	75.57
1855—	Harry Briggs	58.12	.86	.86	58.12
1856—	Albion Morse	73.80	1.10	1.10	73.80
1858—	Mabel Wright	50.00	.56	.56	50.00

Book No.	Name	Amount	Interest	Expended	Balance Feb. 1, 1944
1859—	Henry George . .	17.88	.26	.26	17.88
1860—	Plummer H. But- ler	36.34	.54	.54	36.34
1861—	Mary L. Gordon .	35.96	.53	.53	35.96
1862—	C. J. Savage . . .	75.00	.94	.53	75.41
1864—	Luther H. Allen .	73.87	1.10	1.10	73.87
1865—	Martha & Chas. Russell	74.27	1.10	1.10	74.27
1866—	Charles Russell .	74.27	1.10	1.10	74.27
1867—	Edward E. Barker	73.89	1.10	1.10	73.89
1869—	Jennette Johnson	37.49	.56	.56	37.49
	Walter McIntire .	50.00	1.25	1.25	50.00
	Ernest Gilman . .	50.00	1.25	1.25	50.00
	Henry Murphy . .	50.00	1.25	1.25	50.00
	Mabel Wright . . .	50.00	1.25	1.25	50.00
	R. M. Baker	103.00	2.50	2.50	103.00
	I. M. & A. P. Saw- telle	100.00	2.50	2.50	100.00
	Joseph M. Smith .	51.25	1.25	1.25	51.25
	Fields & Kenni- son	101.00	2.50	2.50	101.00
	Orrin Eldridge . .	100.00	2.50	2.50	100.00
	Dr. Robbins	102.50	2.50	2.50	102.50
	Andrew B. Cole . .	50.00	1.25	1.25	50.00
	C. F. Pike	102.50	2.50	2.50	102.50
	Musetta Hale Jew- ett	102.50	2.50	2.50	102.50
	Edward F. Dan- forth	503.00	12.50	12.50	503.00
	Almon Blaisdell .	101.50	1.25	1.25	101.50
	Etta Crosby	51.25	1.25	1.25	51.25
	William Young . .	76.25	1.25	1.25	76.25
	Alexander & Gur- ben Grant	100.80	.80	.80	100.80
	Fred Witham . . .	51.25	1.25	1.25	51.25
	Alice Staples . . .	101.25	1.25	1.25	101.25
	W. A. Taylor . . .	101.00	1.25	1.25	101.00

TOWN OF NORRIDGEWOCK
SCHOOL DISTRICT

Receipts

Balance on hand Feb. 1, 1943	\$	5.00	
Town of Norridgewock—raised at town meeting		1,167.50	
		<hr/>	\$ 1,172.50

Expenditures

G. G. Averill, prin. on note	\$	1,000.00	
John McIntire Estate, int. on note		90.00	
G. G. Averill, int. on note		67.50	
F. L. Ames, Treas. bond		10.00	
Depositors Trust Co., bank chg.62	
		<hr/>	\$ 1,168.12
Balance on hand	\$		4.38

BUDGET FOR 1944-45

G. G. Averill, Prin. on note due June 1, '44	\$	1,000.00	
G. G. Averill, interest on \$1,000.00 for 6 months at $4\frac{1}{2}\%$		22.50	
John McIntire Estate, interest on \$2,000.00 for 1 yr. at $4\frac{1}{2}\%$		90.00	
F. L. Ames, Treas. bond		10.00	
		<hr/>	\$ 1,122.50

Superintendent of Schools Report

To the Superintending School Committee and Citizens of Norridgewock:

I herewith submit a report of the condition and progress of the schools for the fiscal year ending February 1, 1944.

The schools have been conducted for the current year according to the same general plan of organization as the previous year with six elementary and five secondary teachers employed. Considerable difficulty has been experienced in securing teachers as there is a serious shortage in the state, especially in the rural areas, and there are some towns where elementary schools have been unable to open and high schools are operating without a full staff. We have been fortunate in securing the services of three Cadet teachers from Farmington Normal School. The general plan is for a cadet teacher to teach for a semester as a part of her school course with classroom supervision by a representative of the normal school. The prospects for next year are not encouraging but it is hoped that we may be able to retain the services of a large percentage of the present group of efficient teachers.

Minor repairs have been made on the school building as needed but few major improvements have been attempted on account of the labor situation. It is very difficult, if not impossible, to secure many items of supplies and equipment, for example, new desks for both high and grade schools were ordered before school opened in September but have not as yet arrived.

The enrollment in the various grades has remained high with the largest number in the Sub-Primary and Grade One. If quarters were available and a teacher could be secured it would be advisable to employ an additional grade teacher. The enrollment has, however, decreased slightly since school opened and somewhat improved the situation.

The appropriations recommended for the coming year have been made after a careful analysis of the accounts and the resources available. Unfortunately there will be a decrease of

over \$2,000. in the State Equalization Fund for next year and consequently the appropriation for the School Fund Account will have to be increased proportionately. The amount recommended for Special Accounts is the same as appropriated last year.

In addition to the regular appropriations the School Committee and Budget Committee recommend the establishment of a Post-War School Construction Fund and an appropriation of \$2,000. as an initial start for such a fund. A new building is greatly needed to provide for the increased enrollment and to afford the type of educational facilities and opportunities that the pupils deserve. The notes of the Norridgewock School District have been reduced to \$3,000. of which \$1,000. is payable in June, and with this reduction of notes and interest the town should soon be in a position to finance other school improvements. It is hoped that there may be some individual contributions forthcoming to increase the fund and hasten the day when construction may be undertaken.

In closing this report I wish to express my appreciation to the School Committee, Town Manager, Selectmen and all others who have contributed in any way to the progress of the schools.

Respectfully submitted,

KERMIT S. NICKERSON,

Superintendent of Schools

Report of Norridgewock High School Principal

To Kermit S. Nickerson
Superintendent of Schools:

I herein submit my second report concerning the enrollment, teachers, program of instruction, and other activities of Norridgewock High School for the period September 1, 1943 to February 1, 1944.

The enrollment in September was as follows:

	Boys	Girls	Total
Seniors	5	7	12
Juniors	6	13	19
Sophomores	3	17	20
Freshmen	8	19	27
Eighth Grade	12	17	29
Seventh Grade	22	17	39
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The faculty for the school year consists of the following teachers:

Mrs. Ruth Elwell	Social Studies and Natural Science
Mrs. Bernice Shevlin	Home Economics and Mathematics
Mr. James Abbott	Manual Arts and Business
Mr. Leslie Strathern ...	Mathematics, Languages, and Gen. Sci.
Mr. Milton Knowlen	English and Physics

The school continues to operate on a seven period rotating schedule which provides for five one hour periods daily and a half hour activity period which is used for assemblies, student government meetings, club and committee meetings.

The school department was most fortunate in securing the services of Mr. Abbott as instructor in manual arts. He is conducting his department very efficiently. Many worthwhile and practical projects are being completed under his instruction.

Mrs. Elwell, in addition to her regular teaching duties, is acting as coach of girls' basketball and assisting in coaching the senior play.

Mr. Strathern is assisting Mrs. Elwell in coaching girls' basketball in addition to his regular teaching duties.

A hot lunch program is being carried on under the direction of Mrs. Shevlin assisted by the girls in her department. An average of fifty-five boys and girls in all grades are availing themselves of the opportunity of securing a hot dish.

Once again it has been necessary to function without a regular physical education program, but opportunity to participate in physical activities has been provided thus far through the medium of football, volleyball, and basketball. We have been able to arrange and carry out a basketball schedule for both boys and girls. Seasonal activities will be carried on as the year progresses. It is our intention to give all students an opportunity to participate in such activities and not confine them to the so-called natural athletes. Such an outlet has been provided through interclass games which have been carried on during the lunch period. I feel many students gain much, both physically and socially, through such games.

Interest in the purchase of war stamps and bonds waned for a time during the year but has been revived. On a recent stamp day, nine bonds and seventy-five dollars worth of war stamps were purchased.

I have continued to enjoy this year the same noteworthy cooperation from teachers, parents, school officials, Mr. Merrill, our janitor, and friends of the school. Such cooperation is greatly appreciated.

Respectfully submitted,

MILTON W. KNOWLEN,
Principal

School Financial Report

STATE SCHOOL FUND ACCOUNT

Receipts

Balance forward, 1942-43	\$ 753.72
Appropriation	10,500.00
Tuition received:	
Town of Smithfield	456.81
Town of Mercer	1,035.16
State School fund	3,498.75
State Equalization fund	2,470.00
Dept. of Health and Welfare	105.84
Insurance Dividends	8.63
Sale of supplies	8.26
National Youth Administration	7.25
Total	<u>\$18,844.42</u>

Expenditures

High School teachers	\$ 4,476.43
Common School teachers	4,775.29
Conveyance	4,623.79
Janitors	1,004.50
Fuel	1,195.78
Textbooks	610.46
Supplies	1,396.21
Total	<u>18,082.46</u>
Balance	<u>\$ 761.96</u>

ACCOUNTS FOR SPECIAL PURPOSES

Receipts

Balance forward 1942-43	\$ 20.62
Appropriation	2,600.00

State Industrial Subsidy	911.57	
Sale of supplies	20.21	
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Total		\$ 3,552.40

Expenditures

Repairs	\$ 147.38	
Superintendence	520.30	
Industrial education	2,076.37	
Insurance	737.80	
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Total		\$ 3,481.85
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Balance		\$ 70.55

NORRIDGEWOCK SCHOOL BUDGET

Feb. 1, 1944 to Feb. 1, 1945

I. SCHOOL FUND ACCOUNT

Expenditures

	Elementary	Secondary
A. Teachers' salaries	\$ 5,621.00	\$ 4,620.00
B. Janitor	494.50	494.50
C. Conveyance	5,132.00	
D. Fuel	406.25	406.25
E. Textbooks	250.00	250.00
F. Supplies	320.00	320.00
G. Library		75.00
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Total	\$12,223.75	\$ 6,165.75
Grand total		\$18,389.50

Resources

Unexpended balance	\$ 761.96	
State School Fund—estimated	3,498.75	
Tuition—estimated	1,400.00	
Equalization Fund	55.00	
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Total		\$ 5,715.71
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Appropriation needed		\$12,673.79
Appropriation recommended		12,500.00

II. ACCOUNTS FOR SPECIAL PURPOSES

Estimated Expenditures

A. Repairs	\$ 250.00
B. Superintendence	528.00
C. Insurance	189.84
D. Medical inspection	50.00
E. Industrial education	2,700.00
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	\$ 3,717.84

Resources

Balance forward	\$ 70.50
State subsidy	1,000.00
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	\$ 1,070.55
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Appropriation needed	\$ 2,647.29
Appropriation recommended	\$ 2,600.00

Town Clerk's Report

MARRIAGES

1943	Apr. 18	Mahlon Gilman Christine Moody
	June 2	Kenneth Otis Alice Grace Brown
	June 6	Maurice E. Adams Grace N. Rogers
	Aug. 7	Edwin Francis Lillian Chandler
	Aug. 7	Louis J. Lalibert Evelyn Marie Bigelow
	Aug. 27	Merle Albee Beverly Shrives
	Sept. 16	Daniel Hill Lena Ladd
	Sept. 27	Charles Vance Williams Geraldine Eula McKenney
	Oct. 10	Peter Dellama Vivian Savage
	Oct. 13	George Taylor Louise E. Berry
	Dec. 11	Guy Emmons M. Gladys Crosby
	Dec. 28	Harry C. Norton Jennie Elizabeth Quimby
1944	Jan. 1	Glenwood Decker Ruth Trott

DEATHS

1943	Jan. 27	Lillian Clark
	Feb. 14	Jessie Fay Stickney Weeks
	Feb. 15	Harriet M. Tracy
	Feb. 18	Guy Brooks
	Feb. 27	Liveria Wilder
	Mar. 1	George Leroy Worthley

	Mar. 6	Merle Carver
	Mar. 14	Etta M. Cox
	Mar. 19	William W. Sawyer
	Mar. 20	Mary O'Day Staples
	Mar. 29	Vivian Shields
	Mar. 30	John A. Gillen
	Apr. 7	Lizzie Allen
	Apr. 20	Wayne Nilford Goodridge
	May 19	Henry James Perry
	May 12	Lewis C. Jacobs
	May 30	Anna Marie Bersani
	June 20	James Alfred Fentiman
	July 13	Bertha Benner
	July 28	Wayman S. Green
	Aug. 13	Harry Wilbur Smith
	Sept. 1	Edwin E. Devereux
	Sept. 2	Adelbert C. Bigelow
	Sept. 9	Leslie E. Rogers
	Sept. 22	Pearl M. Philbrick
	Sept. 23	H. Donald Yeaton
	Oct. 25	Helen Stevens
	Nov. 15	Robert Louis Philbrick
	Dec. 4	Stephen Calvin Mills
	Dec. 25	Belle Ramsdell
1944	Jan. 4	Byron E. Trueworthy
	Jan. 4	Hibbert Dow

BIRTHS

1943	Jan. 15	Woodrow Miles Peterson
	Jan. 18	Hilston LeRoy Tracy
	Feb. 20	Wayne Milford Goodridge
	Feb. 28	Lorain Marie Soule
	Mar. 2	Douglas Wayne Field
	Mar. 3	Ronald Lee Brasselette
	Mar. 6	Charles Leslie Quimby Jr.
	Mar. 16	Beverly Ann Biotte (Bouette)
	Mar. 29	Patrick John Eagan
	Apr. 17	George Elton Adams
	May 15	Henry James Perry
	May 30	Lucille Ruth Michaud

June 11 Brian Lief Petterson
June 19 Robert Albert Frederick
June 20 Grazia Donn Yeaton
July 1 Michael Orrin Jones
July 5 Edwin Crowell Garland
July 18 Harry Joseph Stickney
July 18 Donna Lee Daggett
Aug. 24 Bradley Charles Gerrish
Aug. 27 Joan Eva James
Aug. 30 Mary Elizabeth Seekins
Sept. 10 Karen Lee Baker
Sept. 19 Roy Ellis Boothby
Sept. 20 Charles Lewis Dickinson
Oct. 11 Gerald Lee Savage
Nov. 6 Judith Ann Otis
Nov. 14 Stanley Gilbert Worthley
Dec. 13 Robert Allen Field

Report of Public Health Nurse

NORRIDGEWOCK — 1943

This year more than ever personal health is a matter of vital importance. With the scarcity of doctors already being felt, and the great probability of a larger number of nurses being called into the service within the next few months, the health of the family and the community must receive most careful consideration.

It has been proved by the many selective service rejections how far we have fallen below optimal health standards in the past. We must continue to exert ourselves to insure that the coming generation will be better fitted to cope with whatever emergencies arise. Every time defective teeth are repaired; infected tonsils are removed; a crippling condition in a child has been corrected; or a family has improved its nutritional standards, a step has been taken in the right direction.

One of the methods of finding these defects in these days of doctor shortage, has been through the Child Health Conferences. Here, children are weighed, measured and examined by a physician. Immunizations against such diseases as diphtheria, smallpox and whooping cough are offered. Also, an opportunity is given to discuss an optimal diet with a nutritionist. In your town during the past year these conference were held monthly from May through November. There was a total attendance of 69. A number of defects found have already been corrected. A number of infants and preschools were immunized against diphtheria, whooping cough and smallpox. Invaluable help was given by the Farm Bureau which sponsored the conferences.

In the maternity and infancy program, health supervision and instructive visits have been made to fourteen expectant mothers, thirty-five infants and a number of preschool children. It is gratifying to note that during the past year more expectant mothers have been seeing their physicians earlier in pregnancy, thereby receiving more adequate care than in the past. If these mothers could be seen by the nurse earlier in pregnancy, much help could be given. The public health nurse stands ready to

give all possible assistance to the family by giving demonstrations in infant care, in the care of communicable diseases and by referring certain cases to corrective clinics.

In the school health program, your nurse has endeavored to carry out approved policies in cooperation with the Board of Education. She has sought to develop relationships to coordinate school nursing activities with all the health forces of school, home and community, and to promote community health resources. Through cooperation with the superintendent and teachers, she has planned protective services and made available diagnostic services of the state.

As your public health nurse is County Civilian Service Corps Health and Welfare chairman, she has made an effort to have health and welfare chairmen appointed in each town. It is hoped that such chairmen will serve as a nucleus for permanent health committees. The aims and objectives of such a committee would be: to coordinate the health work already being done in the community; to survey the health needs of the community; to suggest health programs to meet these needs; to advise with the public health nurse in regard to constructive health programs, corrective clinics and protective measures; and to increase the nurse's service by saving her time by carrying work that could be assumed by a health committee. A permanent health committee is in the process of being formed in your town.

LOUISE SKELTON, Public Health Nurse.

Warrant for Annual Town Meeting

To: Fred Wheeler, Constable for the town of Norridgewock,
in the County of Somerset. Greetings:

In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Norridgewock qualified to vote in town affairs, to meet in the Town Hall, in said town on Monday, the sixth day of March, A. D. 1944 at nine o'clock in the forenoon to elect all town officers and to transact all other town business as herein enumerated in the articles of the town warrant. For the election of officers the polls will be open until two o'clock in the afternoon. The transaction of other town business will begin at ten o'clock in the forenoon.

Art. 1—To choose a moderator to preside in said meeting.

Art. 2—To examine and act on the reports of the town officers.

Art. 3—To see if the town will vote to authorize its Selectmen to employ a Town Manager in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 130 of the Public Laws of 1939 of the State of Maine and authorize the Selectmen to fix the compensation of such manager not to exceed the sum of \$3,000.00 per year. (Recommended by Finance Committee.)

Art. 4—To see if the town will vote to raise a sum not exceeding \$3,000.00 to pay for the services of a town manager. (Recommended by Finance Committee.)

Art. 5—To elect a Town Clerk, three Selectmen, Assessors of Taxes, Overseers of Poor and a member of the Superintending School Committee as provided in Chapter 5, Section 38 to 52 inclusive of the Revised Statutes of Maine for the year 1930 and acts additional and amendatory thereto, provision for which was adopted by the town of Norridgewock at a special town meeting held on January 27, A. D. 1940.

Art. 6—To see if the town will vote to elect a Collector of Taxes, Fire Chief, Road Commissioner, Fire Warden, Treasurer, a member of the Library Committee and a member of the Cemetery Committee. *any 1/2 mile to the com*

Art. 7—To see how much the town will vote to raise for general school maintenance. (Committee recommends \$12,500.00) *yes*

Art. 8—To see how much the town will vote to raise for each of the special purposes listed below: medical inspection, insurance, industrial education, repairs, superintendence; total recommended, \$2,600.00. *yes*

Art. 9—To see what sum of money the town will appropriate and raise for the ensuing year for the following purposes.

- No. 1. Town expense account. (\$1,000.00 recommended)
- No. 2. Street lights. (\$640.00 recommended)
- No. 3. Summer roads. (\$3,000.00 recommended)
- No. 4. Snow roads. (\$2,500.00 recommended) *OK*
- No. 5. Cutting bushes. (\$500.00 recommended) *passed*
- No. 6. Streets and sidewalks. (\$600.00 recommended)
- No. 7. Third class maintenance. (\$657.00 recommended)
- No. 8. State Aid maintenance. (\$1,867.70 recommended)
- No. 9. Support of poor. (\$1,000.00 recommended)
- No. 10. Aid to Dependent Children. (\$500.00 recommended.)
- No. 11. Committed Children. (\$165.00 recommended)
- No. 12. For support of Library. (\$400.00 recommended)
- No. 13. Care of cemeteries. (\$150.00 recommended)
- No. 14. For the care of Monument Square. (\$15.00 recommended)
- No. 15. For observance of Memorial Day. (\$25.00 recommended)
- No. 16. For Fire Department. (\$800.00 recommended)
New hose. (\$500.00 recommended)
- No. 17. Abatements. (\$300.00 recommended)
- No. 18. Salaries of Town Officers. (\$532.00 recommended)
- No. 19. Public Health Nurse. (\$100.00 recommended)

Art. 10—To see if the town will vote to authorize the Selectmen on behalf of the town to sell and dispose of property acquired by tax liens or mortgage deeds. (Recommended by Finance Committee.)

Art. 11—To see if the town will vote to allow discounts and if so how much, on all taxes assessed in 1944 that are paid on or before date or dates to be fixed by the town under this article. (Finance Committee recommends no discounts be allowed)

Art. 12—To see if the town will vote to charge and collect interest on all unpaid taxes assessed in 1944, after a date to be fixed by the town under this article, and if so how much. (Finance Committee recommends 6% after September 1, 1944.)

Art. 13—To see if the town will vote to fix a date when real estate, personal and poll taxes shall be made payable. (Finance Committee recommends poll taxes May 1, 1944, real estate and personal property, September 1, 1944.)

Art. 14—To see if the town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to procure a temporary loan or loans in anticipation of taxes for the purpose of paying indebtedness of the town. Such notes to be paid during the current municipal year out of money raised during the current municipal year by taxes. (Recommended by the Finance Committee.)

Art. 15—To see if the town will vote to appoint ten members to serve as a budget committee, and pass all necessary votes respecting the same.

Art. 16—To see if the town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$200.00 to cooperate with the Maine Forest Service and the Federal Government in the control of the White Pine Blister Rust in accordance with Revised Statutes, Chapter 11, Secs. 62-63-64. (Recommended by Finance Committee.)

Art. 17—To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money not to exceed \$1,000.00 for the purpose of purchasing land for a new cemetery and pass all votes respecting the same. (Recommended by Finance Committee.)

Art. 18—To see if the town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to purchase a new Walter 6-ton, 4-wheel drive snowplow. (Recommended by Finance Committee.)

Art. 19—To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum or sums of money not to exceed \$9,550.00 for payment of new Walters 6-ton, 4-wheel drive snowplow. (Recommended by Finance Committee.)

Art. 20—To see if the town will vote to authorize the Selectmen and Treasurer to transfer the Bixby Cemetery Account from the Penobscot Savings Bank at Bangor to the Depositors Trust Company at Madison. (Recommended by Finance Committee.)

Art. 21—To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate \$500.00 for remodeling the tractor house to accommodate new snow removal equipment. (Recommended by Finance Committee.)

Art. 22—To see if the town will vote to instruct the Selectmen and Treasurer to apply all excise tax monies collected on cemetery funds used by town until the remaining \$7,075.37 is paid. (Recommended by Finance Committee.)

Art. 23—To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate \$2,000.00 to be set aside as a school building fund according to Chapter 262, Section 6 of the Public Laws of the State of Maine 1943. (Recommended by Finance Committee.)

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Art. 24—To see if the town will vote to raise the sum of three hundred and fifty dollars (\$350.00) for repair of the road leading from the Smithfield road to the home of Vaughan Chase and keep same plowed of snow in winter.

The Selectmen give notice that they will be in session at the Town Office for the purpose of revising and correcting the list of voters on Saturday, March 4, A. D. 1944, from two to four o'clock in the afternoon.

Given under our hands at said Norridgewock on this twenty-fifth day of February, A. D. 1944.

HELENA B. AMES
IRA N. KNOWLEN
CHARLES W. HILTON

Selectmen of Norridgewock

NORRIDGEWOCK

Five miles southwest of Skowhegan. First settled in 1773. Name derived from the famous Indian Chief, Norridgewog, which signifies smooth water. Incorporated the 54th town, June 18, 1788. Population 1940, 1511.



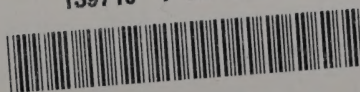
PRESERVE THIS REPORT

A sufficient number of these reports have been printed to furnish every interested citizen with a copy. An effort has been made to get them into the hands of the voters in advance. It should be borne in mind that if copies are left at home there may not be a sufficient number at the hall to go around on town meeting day. This year or any year it is desirable for you to have a copy of the annual report as soon as issued. It is also important for you to preserve it and bring it with you town meeting day morning.



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